33.	Srimati T. Narayani Amma	38. Mr.	M. Ramiah Pillai
34.	Mr. Kainikkara M. Padmanabha Pillai	39. ,,	M. R. Narayana Pillai
35.	,, J. E. A. Pereira	40. ,,	M. Sivathanu Pillai
36.	,, N. Ramakrishna Pillai	41. ,,	E. Subramonia Aiyar
37.	,, Kodiveetil C. Ramankunju	42. ,,	J. W. Tolson

The official members did not take part in the voting.

The resolution was declared lost.

PRESIDENT: That finishes our work in connection with the Report and all that I can say at this juncture is that it has given Government a very lively satisfaction that there has been so much co-ordinated effort. Government will most carefully consider and will deal with the matters with the weight and seriousness demanded by the circumstances. They will see that the resolutions recommended meet with the greatest measure of success.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI: Sir, before passing to the next item of the agenda I may be permitted to move a formal motion placing on record the good work done by the Public Service Commissioner.

MR. P. S. MUHOMED: I second it.

The motion was put to vote and carried *nem con*.

PRESIDENT: Let me also associate very heartily with that suggestion. My thanks are due to Dr. Nokes in abandoning the pedestrian fields of law and come to an arena more difficult to combat but where he has acquitted himself under the circumstances with marked credit to the great benefit of the country and the Government.

DISCUSSION ON THE REPORT OF THE DEBT RELIEF ENQUIRY COMMITTEE.

PRESIDENT: The next item in the agenda is the consideration of the Debt Relief Enquiry Committee's Report.

MR. KAINIKKARA M. PADMANABHA PILLAI: Sir, while in the committee yesterday, you assured us that very soon another session of the House will be held for the purpose of discussing the Debt Relief Bill. As it stands now in the agenda, what is to be done is to discuss the report. During the adjournment motion we had some discussion of the report. Any other important point that might have to be discussed can be discussed when the principle of the Bill is discussed and amendments are moved. Therefore, in the light of the promise made by you yesterday, that very soon a session will be called and the Bill itself will be introduced, I think that we need not take the time of the House to enter into any discussion of this Report now especially as there is not time enough for a full discussion of the subject.

MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): Sir, I am also of the same opinion. A Bill on the lines indicated in the committee's report will soon be introduced in this House. It will be waste of time to discuss the report at this stage as there will be ample opportunity to discuss the salient features of the report at the time when

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the Bill itself is introduced and considered clause by clause. The Government also desire, I think, that the Bill should be brought before the House as early as possible. The public are anxiously awaiting the introduction of the Bill at an early date. Therefore my submissson is that it is unnecessary and superfluous to discuss in detail the several points that arise for consideration at this juncture.

MR. E. SUBRAMONIA AIYAR (*Nominated*): Sir, since a Bill as proposed by the Committee is to be introduced very soon there is no need now for such a discussion. I think it is the desire of Government to have the view points of every honourable member. I would submit that such a discussion will be very useful if it is carried on when the Bill is introduced. We have to discuss the nature of the Bill by moving amendments and considering the several clauses. Certainly this matter will not be here for discussion. Once Government have thought that it is better to have the views of the House before the Government make up their minds to introduce this Bill or a Bill in a different form, to me it appears that that object will be frustrated if, as a matter of fact, the matter is not discussed at some length. No doubt, there was an adjournment motion and there was a division thereon. The discussion under the adjournment motion was confined, if I may say so, to the urgent necessity of a legislation. The question what form the legislation should take no doubt has been the subject of a searching enquiry by a well constituted committee. However Government thought it well that it is better to have greater light thrown upon the several problems attendant on it.

The Government have after the report has emerged received elaborate memoranda and it is not impossible that this House can also express collectively or individually on the different matters. No doubt after the Bill has been brought in a particular form, we have the liberty to discuss the various principles, but much depends upon the form in which the Bill comes before them. The fundamental problem to be determined is not the practical measures which should be taken to carry out the object, but the exact nature of the relief. What should be the exact form of relief? There are agricultural debtors, trade debtors, there are one class of debtors, another class of debtors, one class of creditors and another class of creditors. We want to see whether the same relief should be given to all or some discriminatory measures adopted. These are, I think, problems which could be discussed here even before the Bill is introduced. Then, that will minimise the work of the Government and the Assembly. It appears to me to be the view which should commend itself to the President. No doubt, for other reasons which were beyond our control we were not able to discuss it early. So, this side of the question may also be considered since it is equally important and vital. Any how, the question of agricultural relief is one which will have a permanent effect upon the prosperity or otherwise of the people. It is a matter which requires deep thinking, searching investigation and it is not a mere experiment. I have set before the House the two view points and with these words I conclude.

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MR. J.E.A. PEREIRA (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Sir, the matter of giving relief to the agricultural debtors in the State is one which has grown to alarming proportions. This House should not therefore loose time in taking up the consideration of the report of the Debt Relief Committee now and try to come to a conclusion so that relief measures may be made available as early as possible,

MR. M. R. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Tiruvella*): Sir, I support the proposition moved by Mr. Pereira, The adjournment motion has been moved and it has been carried. It is significant of the fact how the country is anxious to have a solution of the problem. It is high time that Government come forward with some adequate relief measure so that the suffering of the agricultural people may be put a stop to at the earliest opportunity. With these words I wholeheartedly support Mr. Pereira's motion.

MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI : വളരെ പ്രതഗതിയിൽ ഡറ്റ്റിലീഫിന് ഒരു തീരുമാനമുണ്ടാകുമെന്ന് നാട്ടിന്റെ നാനാഭാഗങ്ങളിലുമുള്ള സാധുക്കളായ കടക്കാർ അത്യാർത്തിയോടുകൂടി നോക്കിക്കൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നുണ്ട്. എന്നാൽ പണക്കാരായ ആളുകൾ പല സ്ഥലത്തും പ്രചരണവേലകൾ ചെയ്ത്, തീരുമാനം ചെയ്യുന്നതിനുള്ള നാൾ ദീർഘിപ്പിച്ചുവരുന്നു. ഒന്നരയോ രണ്ടോ മണിക്കൂർകൊണ്ട് ദീർഘമായ ഈ റിപ്പോർട്ടിനെ കർശനമായ പ്രസംഗങ്ങൾകൊണ്ട് വിമർശിച്ച് ശരിപ്പെടുത്താൻ സാധിക്കുകയില്ല. അതിന്റെ ആവശ്യകതയും ഗൗരവവും എത്രമാത്രമുണ്ടെന്ന് തിരുവിതാംകൂറിലെ പ്രജകൾ മനസ്സിലാക്കീട്ടുണ്ട്. വളരെ ഉത്തരവാദിത്വമുള്ള ഒരഭ്യുക്ഷനും വിദ്വാന്മാരായ പല പണ്ഡിതന്മാരും നിയമപണ്ഡിതനായ ഗവർമ്മെൻറ് പ്രതിനിധിയും ചേർന്ന പല പുസ്തകങ്ങളും പ്രസിദ്ധീകരണങ്ങളും നോക്കി തയാറാക്കിയിട്ടുള്ള ഒരു റിപ്പോർട്ടാണ് ഇത്. അതിൽ വിപരീതാഭിപ്രായക്കാർ അവരുടെ അഭിപ്രായം രേഖപ്പെടുത്തീട്ടുണ്ട്. ഇന്ന് റിപ്പോർട്ടിനെപ്പറ്റി വിമർശനം നടത്തി രണ്ടുമണിക്കൂർ കഴിയുന്ന അവസരത്തിൽ അടുത്ത അസംബ്ളിയിലേക്ക് മാറും. അതിനശേഷം റിപ്പോർട്ട് ബില്ലുരൂപത്തിൽ വരുമ്പോൾ വർഷം നാലുകഴിയും. ഏതെങ്കിലും വിധത്തിൽ ഒരു ബില്ലുവന്നാൽ അതിന് എതിരഭിപ്രായമുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അതിലേക്ക് ഭേദഗതി കൊണ്ടുവന്ന് പാസാക്കുന്നതിന് സാധിക്കുന്നതാണ്. സഭയിലെ ഭൂരിപക്ഷം അംഗങ്ങളുടേയും താൽപ്പര്യങ്ങളെ നോക്കാതെ അങ്ങിനെ ചെയ്യണമെന്ന് ആരും ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നില്ല. അതുകൊണ്ട് കാലതാമസംകൂടാതെ ഉടനടി ഈ വിഷമസ്ഥിതിയെ തടയുന്നതിന് ഒരു ബിൽ അസംബ്ളിയിൽ കൊണ്ടുവരണമെന്ന ഗവർമ്മെൻറിനോട് അഭ്യർത്ഥിക്കുകയും മി. പെരേരായുടെ നിശ്ചയത്തെ പിൻവലിക്കണമെന്ന് അപേക്ഷിക്കയും ചെയ്തുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

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MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR: It will be certainly advantageous for the Government if this House will place before the Government its definite views on the several recommendations contained in the report. I am afraid that within the limited time at our disposal it will be impossible for us to place definite proposals in a crystalised form before the Government. Unless this is done, it will serve no useful purpose for the Government. I think that since all the recommendations contained in the report are embodied in the Bill put forward by committee and since Government are keen upon introducing a Bill at the earliest opportunity this House will have ample opportunities to discuss the salient features of the report when the Bill comes before this House. I therefore suggest that the matter may be taken up at the next session of the House.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: In offering a few remarks on the observations already made, on the question whether the Committee's report should be taken up for consideration now or not, I may, at the very start, ask the Government this question. What was the purpose of the change in the revised agenda paper, as discussion of the Report, as contrasted with the first agenda paper containing a Bill to give relief? It was included in the agenda that a Bill for the relief of agricultural debtors will be discussed and subsequently the Debt Relief Enqiry Committee's Report was included in the agenda as a matter for discussion at this Session. I ask the Government what was the intention of Government in changing the agenda like that? I understand that Government are very anxious to hear all the different view points of all the members of this House on this report before a Bill is framed by them. If the Government were desirous of inviting the views of different sections of this House, I do not know why the Government are not particular with regard to the continuance of the discussion, as the announcement was made here on the Government side.

PRESIDENT: The Government have not decided anything on this matter. I, as President of this House, ask whether the House wants to discuss it or not? What the Government are going to do is to introduce this Bill or some other Bill and those are not matters arising now.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: My point is that the responsibility of introducing the Bill is now with the Government. Before the Government takes the responsibility of chalking out a Bill to be introduced later on, I say that the Government did well in having placed the report before the House for inviting its views on fundamental points. I only stress the necessity or the desirability of having a full-dress discussion of the report.

PRESIDENT: The motion before the House is that the report of the the Travancore Debt Relief Enquiry Committee be taken into consideration.

The motion was put to vote and lost.

MR. J. E. A. PEREIRA: Sir, I demand a poll.

A poll was taken and the House divided as follows :--

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AYES—16.

1 Sahib Bahadur H. O. L. Marikar
2 Mr. C. Jebamony Nadar
3 ,, Kannanthodath Janardanan Nair
4 ,, Thamarapallil Kochuthommen
5 ,, S. Krishna Aiyar
6 Sahib Bahadur M. K. Mackar Pillai
7 Sahib Bahadur N. M. Abdul Kadir
8 Mr. K. Narayanaperumal Nadar
9 ,, S. Narayana Pillai
10 ,, P. Narayana Pillai
11 ,, J. E. A. Pereira
12 ,, M. Ramiah Pillai
13 ,, M. R. Narayana Pillai
14 ,, M. Sivathanu Pillai
15 ,, E. Subramonia Aiyar
16 ,, J. W. Tolson

NOES—27.

1 Mr. Kottalil P. Abraham
2 ,, P. C. Adichan
3 ,, S. Chattanatha Karayalar
4 ,, K. Dominic Joseph
5 ,, E. E. Pandarathil
6 ,, D. Francis
7 ,, S. Govinda Pillai
8 ,, M. L. Janardhana Pillai
9 ,, N. John Joseph
10 ,, Padiyara Joseph Kunju
11 ,, Joseph Vithayathil
12 ,, K. C. Karunakaran
13 ,, Menatheri N. Kesava Panickar
14 ,, M. G. Kesava Pillai
15 ,, T. C. Kesava Pillai
16 Mr. T. T. Kesavan Sastri
17 ,, K. P. Kochukora Tharakan
18 ,, Kaviyoor K. K. Kochukunju
19 ,, Thariathu Kunjithommen
20 Sahib Bahadur P. S. Muhamed
21 Mr. N. Narayana Kurup
22 ,, K. R. Narayanan
23 ,, Kainikkara M. Padmanabha Pillai
24 ,, N. Ramakrishna Pillai
25 ,, Kodiveetil C. Ramankunju
26 ,, P. Sivarama Pillai
27 ,, Puliyoor T. P. Velayudhan Pillai

NEUTRALS—12.

1 Mr. M. L. D'Cruz
2 Srimathi K. Devaki Antharjanam
3 Mr. K. G. Govindan
4 ,, A. K. Kumaran Vaidyan
5 ,, P. Kunjukrishnan
6 ,, Murukkumpuzha V. Kunjukrishnan
7 Mr. K. G. Kunjukrishna Pillai
8 ,, K. Kunju Panickar
9 ,, Warkala K. Madhavan
10 ,, P. V. Mathai Chemparathy
11 ,, R. Narayanan Nambootiri
12 Srimati T. Narayani Amma

The official members did not take part in the voting.

The motion was declared lost.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS.

THE TRAVANCORE RUBBER CONTROL BILL.

MR. PUTHUPALLY S. KRISHNA PILLAI: Sir, I rise to present the Report of the Select Committee on the Travancore Rubber Control Bill and move that the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration.

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: I second it.

The motion was put to vote and carried.

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